

**TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY  
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE**



**FISCAL NOTE**

**HB 2226 - SB 2194**

January 24, 2012

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Creates a Class E felony offense, punishable by fine only up to \$100,000, for a corporation or individual to knowingly sell, purchase, possess, install, transfer, or use any automated sales suppression device, zapper, or phantom-ware used to manipulate retail transaction records for evading payment of sales tax to the state. Authorizes a person who reports a violation of the offense to receive up to \$10,000 of any fine collected by the state.

**ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**NOT SIGNIFICANT**

Assumptions:

- Based on the Fiscal Review Committee's 2008 study of incarceration costs and fines, collection of fines for felony offenses is negligible. There will not be a significant increase in revenue as a result of this bill.
- There will not be a sufficient number of prosecutions for state or local government to experience any significant increase in revenue or expenditures.

**CERTIFICATION:**

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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